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## SECOND INCREMENT LEAVES FOR CAMP

Big Crowd Cheers and Whistles Blow as 62 Men Depart Today.

## ARE GIVEN TOBACCO

Men Due at Moberly at Noon—Will Reach Camp Funston Tonight.

The sun came out, whistles blew and the big crowd cheered as the train bearing Boone County second increment of the draft quota, sixty-two men, left the Wabash station this morning for Camp Funston, Fort Riley, Kan.

Hundreds of relatives and friends gathered at the Courthouse early this morning, waiting for the roll call. Frank Toder and W. E. McDonnell, whom the men elected captains of the group, called the roll shortly before 10 o'clock. Every man answered to his name. The only change made was to substitute William Joseph Alliton for William Leroy Cook. Mr. Alliton was an alternate, who wanted so much to go at this time, that the local draft exemption board allowed him to go in place of Mr. Cook, who will now wait until October.

It was stated yesterday that Fred Yoder was one of the captains selected. Fred Yoder was drafted, but he was transferred to South Carolina, while Frank Yoder was elected a captain.

**Men Are Given Tobacco.**  
After roll call, members of the Commercial Club gave each man a dollar's worth of tobacco and a pipe, for which business men had subscribed. More than \$100 was raised for the purpose.

A picture of the men was taken on the east lawn of the Courthouse as they were starting to the station. They sang "Hang Kaiser Bill to a Sour Apple Tree" as they marched along Broadway and the boys seemed cheerful after they got on the train. In spite of the farewells with wives and mothers who couldn't keep the tears back. The sign displayed along the side of a coach, "Berlin or Bust! A Part of Boone County's Protest Against Kaiserism," indicated their spirit.

The men had luncheon at Moberly. From there a special train took them to Kansas City, where they were due to arrive at 5:30 o'clock. They will leave Kansas City at 7:30 o'clock and reach Camp Funston at 11:30 o'clock tonight.

## These Men Left Today.

The names of the men who left this morning are as follows:

Grover Cleveland Kidwell  
James James Hill  
Roy Ray Green  
Truly Level  
Raymond R. Palmer  
William E. Rice  
Frank Leslie Barton  
William Henry Perkins  
John N. Taylor, Jr.  
Ora Washington Adkins  
William H. Bennett  
Albert William Meyer  
Winfred Alvin Turner  
James Swanson, Jr.  
Lazelle Seymour Shockey  
Roy Riggs Easley  
Frank Yoder  
Jess Albert Hamilton  
Leslie C. Valentine  
Henry F. Menke  
Warren Herron  
Eugene Sullens  
Bruce Edwards, Jr.  
Millard White  
Grover Stanley Owens  
John W. Bryant  
Millard Sexton  
Freddie W. Mustain  
Walter W. Enoch  
Ellis Edward Roberts  
Julius Schatz  
Charles Marcus Fox  
Chester James Pollock  
Seth Raymond Whitfield  
William E. McDonnell  
Cecil Fuller Crane  
Carl William Arnold  
Paul Chinn Elliott  
Wallace P. Gibbs  
John Cleveland Ridgeway  
Floyd P. Pearson  
Mayfield Kreutz  
Charles Sewell Harrell  
Arthur Cecil Fay  
William Edward Railton  
Louis James Williams  
Edward F. Hudson  
Ernest H. Stewart  
Buford Easley  
Ansel Brown  
Curtis Jennings  
Charles A. Sprague  
Charles Cecil Rominous  
George F. King  
Durwood Long-Sapp  
Claud Fray  
Marshall H. Brigham  
Elbert Roy Crump  
Alfonso P. Steffens  
Otis Grant Wilson  
William Nathaniel Stark  
William Joseph Alliton

## JACKS HEADS LOCAL CLUBS

Editor, in New Role, Will Attempt to Revive Club Interest.

Harry S. Jacks, editor of the Herald-Statesman, was elected secretary of the Commercial Club and of the Retail Merchants' Association at a joint meeting of the directors held at the Commercial Club rooms yesterday afternoon. Mr. Jacks succeeds Victor B. Jones, who was drafted and left with the first contingent on September 5. H. H. Daniels held the office from September 5 until yesterday afternoon.

"My first efforts will be to revive interest in the Commercial Club work," said Mr. Jacks. The weekly luncheons will begin next Thursday. The place is not yet decided on, but it is probable that they will be held at the Daniel Boone Tavern. The topic for discussion next Thursday will be the Missouri Old Trails Association meeting to be held here October 6.

"The Retail Merchants' Association has been a live force in the community, and I will endeavor to keep it to its standard," said Mr. Jacks.

## HAIG GAIN CONFIRMED

British Push Through German Line Over Six-Mile Front in Belgium.

By Associated Press

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Field Marshal Haig in late reports regarding the British offensive on the Belgian front east of Ypres yesterday, declared the British troops pushed through the German lines over a six-mile front and that confirmation by detailed accounts of the battle were being sent to the war office.

## British Bitterly Opposed at Ypres.

By Associated Press

BRITISH FRONT IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM, Sept. 21.—During the night the British offensive met with stubborn resistance in the Ypres district, but possession was obtained of a large area and several lines of German trenches.

## General Alexieff Reported Out.

By Associated Press

PETROGRAD, Sept. 21.—General Alexieff has resigned as chief of staff, according to newspaper reports today.

## UNIVERSITY HIGH OPEN MONDAY

Largest Attendance in History Is Predicted By J. L. Meriam.

With 140 students enrolled to date the new University High School will begin regular class work Monday despite the fact that the work of improvement incident to the transformation of Benton Hall into an institution of learning is not completed. J. L. Meriam, principal of the school said today that the attendance this year will be larger than ever before. The usual registration for a year numbers about 150 and this will be increased this year when the students from local rural schools and those from a distance who will report late arrive in the city.

Many former students will not attend this year, according to Doctor Meriam. For the most part these are young men from farms who are turning their attention to agriculture in response to the nation's call for increased production of foodstuffs.

The fact that the attendance will be increased this term is due to a campaign among former students at the instance of Doctor Meriam to induce their friends to come to Columbia. Among the men who were graduated last spring who secured new students was Herbert Schmidt of Augusta. He obtained five new men. He is entered in the University this year.

Nine of this year's students come from the Grindstone rural district.

## Y. W. C. A. TO HAVE VESPER TEA

Annual Entertainment Will Be Given at Read Hall.

Special music and readings have been planned for the annual vesper tea, which will be given by the Young Women's Christian Association of the University Sunday afternoon at Read Hall. The tea was to have been held in the Missouri Union Building, but has been changed to Read Hall on account of conflicting dates.

Miss F. Louise Nardin of the English department will give readings and Miss Ira Lightner will sing. Miss Hazel Hoffman, president of the Y. W. C. A., will lead the devotional exercises. Members of the cabinet will assist in serving after the program.

## COUNTRY WOMEN KNIT FASTEST

Red Cross Gave Out \$50 Worth of Yarn in Two Hours.

That the American soldiers will not lack knit garments is shown by the demand for yarn at the Red Cross headquarters. Mrs. E. A. Allen, who has charge of the distribution of the yarn, said that \$50 worth was given out yesterday in less than two hours. The greater demand comes from the women in the country, who knit so fast that it is impossible to keep them supplied. The yarn is bought wholesale by the local chapter and given out free of charge to be knitted into sweaters, scarfs, helmets and socks.

## WILL SHIP NO MORE BOOZE BY EXPRESS

Last Orders by Wells-Fargo Were Delivered in Columbia Yesterday.

## IS A "DRY" VICTORY

Katy Freight Orders Are Only Ones Bringing Liquor In Now.

Columbia received its last express shipment of liquor or beer yesterday morning when the Wells-Fargo Express Company, the last of Columbia's two companies to bring the different alcoholic beverages into town, decided to close down all such shipments. The Wabash railroad which had already stopped carrying such shipments by freight will not change this policy and thus the M. K. and T. railroad is now the only means by which "wet" goods may now reach Columbia, and over this road, only by freight.

The victory for Columbia's "dry" workers comes only after years of fighting which date back almost to the time the town voted favorably on the prohibition subject in 1907.

The fact that the University of Missouri was located here was one reason given for the success of the "dry" movement. Several injunctions have been passed prohibiting the shipment of liquor and since the most recent one in July, the Wabash railroad has refused all freight shipments of the much discussed liquors and beers. The American Express Company stopped all such shipments several weeks ago and ever since then several townspeople have been very active in their efforts to persuade the Wells-Fargo Express Company to take similar action. The division superintendent of the Wells-Fargo Company recently wrote to Prosecuting Attorney Dinwiddie, it is said, and asked for an opinion as to the right of the express companies to ship liquor into dry counties. It was Prosecuting Attorney Dinwiddie's negative answer that is believed to have brought about yesterday's order from the express company, according to employees at the Wells-Fargo Express Company offices.

As far as is known the shipment of liquor and beer into Columbia is over. While the Katy is still receiving a few shipments by freight they are very small in comparison to the gallons and gallons that have poured into town by express in the past. It is believed that the Katy will soon follow the example of the Wabash Railroad and also prohibit any such shipments.

## FLAG IS DESECRATED

Anti-Draft Body in Oklahoma Planned Resistance, Witness Says.

By Associated Press

ENID, Okla., Sept. 21.—The story of the organization of the "Jones family," its affiliation with the Working Class Union and the Industrial Workers of the World and their connection through a Chicago official with German agents, was told here late yesterday at the trial of eleven members of the "Jones family" from Pottawatomie and Cleveland counties, by a witness named Holmes, who claimed to have been present as government agent at the organization's first meeting.

At this meeting, described by Holmes as being held at a hobo camp on the outskirts of Van Buren, Ark., the American flag was torn to shreds and called a "filthy rag." Speakers urged the men to stand together and protect their families, Holmes said. In discussing plans for an organized resistance to federal troops should they be sent into the country to enforce the selective draft.

Arrangements were made for procuring and secreting arms and ammunition, Holmes also testified. During the meeting suspicion was aroused that a spy was present, thereupon one of the leaders freely expressed the danger attending disclosures of any kind. For the first offense, Holmes testified, the offender was to receive thirty odd strokes across the bare back with a wet rope.

For the second offense, sixty or more strokes with the rope would be inflicted, and on the third offense the leader said the offender would have to "look out or the Jones boys would get him."

While waiting to testify in the trial today J. C. Haywood, 60 years old, attempted to commit suicide by slashing his throat. Bystanders overpowered the man but not until he had succeeded in partially severing his jugular vein. Physicians believe he will recover.

## \$105.70 In the Tobacco Fund.

The committee appointed to collect a tobacco fund for the soldiers who left today raised \$105.70. The committee consisted of J. R. Somerville, chairman; W. T. Conley, H. S. Jacks and L. E. Renle.

## Y. W. C. A. NEEDS GIRLS TO TAKE POSITIONS

For First Time in History There Are More Places Than Applicants.

## NEEDED IN HOMES

Demand for Stenographers Is Not So Great as for More Simple Work.

For the first time in the history of the Young Women's Christian Association in the University, the employment secretary has too much work and not enough girls to fill the positions. The employment secretary, Miss Lois Goff, said yesterday that she has had numerous calls from women who want girls to help them with their household work this winter, and that so far she had not been able to fill them. Columbia people are more interested in helping girls this year than ever before, and the result is showing in the calls made on the Y. W. C. A.

Miss Goff also said that she had received a number of inquiries before the University opened this fall, from girls wanting work to help put themselves through school, but that she has not heard further from them. This fall there have not been so many calls for stenographic work as usual, and many more calls for girls to help in homes. This has produced the peculiar situation of too much work and not enough people to handle it.

The Y. W. C. A. room has been painted and redecorated, and is ready for use now. Miss Goff said that the Y. W. C. A. board wants the girls of the University to get in the habit of using the Y. W. room. The telephone is always at their convenience, and there is always someone at the desk to answer questions.

## MAY START COMMERCIAL CLUB

Irving K. Fagan Writes for Information on Independence.

Harry S. Jacks, secretary of the Commercial Club, received a letter today from Irving K. Fagan, a former student in the School of Journalism of the University and now with the Daily Sentinel at Independence, asking for information as to a stable method of forming a permanent commercial club. Mr. Fagan wants to promote the commercial life of his town. He believes that a commercial club will be the best method of developing the business interests of his locality. He says:

"Sporadic attempts to organize a commercial club here have failed. I want to launch a campaign for one. I would be greatly indebted to you for any facts and figures, comparative statistics on the value the Commercial Club has been in Columbia. Any sources of information you can refer me to would be highly appreciated."

## MAY FEED WHEAT TO HOGS

Government Not to Inquire into Oklahoma Reports.

By Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 21.—There will be no federal inquiry into the report that farmers in Oklahoma are feeding their wheat to the hogs, the vice-president of the Federal Wheat Corporation said today.

"The government believes these cases to be few and the feeding of wheat to hogs at this time of the year when the corn supply is at its lowest point is a practice followed for many years," he said. "Within a week or two the country will see materialize one of the largest corn crops in years that will materially reduce the price of corn and make its use as feed practicable."

## M. C. CARR HAS RESIGNED

Art Instructor Leaves to Teach at Carnegie Institute at Pittsburgh.

Michael Carmichael Carr has resigned his position as instructor of the theory and practice of art in the University and left last Tuesday to take a place in the Carnegie Institute of Technology at Pittsburgh, Pa. Because of Mr. Carr's departure, Prof. J. S. Ankeney, head of the department of art, returned yesterday afternoon from Rockport, Mass. He had not intended to resume his duties until November 15.

## Son to Columbians in Hawaii.

A cablegram received today by Mrs. E. L. Craig, 1309 Keiser avenue, from Lloyd R. Killam at Honolulu, Hawaii, announces the birth of an 8-pound son to Mr. and Mrs. Killam. Mrs. Killam was formerly Miss Sadie Craig of Columbia. Mr. Killam is territorial secretary of Y. M. C. A.'s at Hawaii. Both were graduates of the University in 1910.

## Few Register Late in Agriculture.

There is almost an absence of late registrations this year in the College of Agriculture of the University. Prior to this year, there have been long lines of late comers, but yesterday only brought four, and today three.

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and Vicinity: Generally fair, cooler tonight. Fair Saturday and probably Sunday; somewhat warmer. For Missouri: Fair tonight and Saturday; cooler east portion tonight; rising temperature Saturday.

**Weather Conditions.**  
More or less overcast skies have prevailed in the lower part of the Missouri Valley, northward up the Mississippi, and in most of the territory north of the Ohio River; but no rain of consequence has fallen in either the grain or cotton region. In the upper Missouri drainage area and western Canada the weather is clear and somewhat warmer; but in the Plains and Central Valleys it is cooler than at the same time yesterday. No abnormally low temperatures obtain anywhere. In Columbia the present cloudiness will likely break away by or before night, and generally fair weather will prevail over Saturday and probably Sunday, with tendency to warmer.

## Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 64 degrees and the lowest last night was 52; precipitation 0.00; relative humidity 2 p. m. yesterday 85 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 82 and the lowest 60; precipitation 0.33 inch.

## The Almanac.

Sun rises today, 5:56 a. m. Sun sets, 7:08 p. m. Moon sets, 8:46 p. m.

## The Temperatures Today.

7 a. m.	59	11 a. m.	62
8 a. m.	59	12 m.	66
9 a. m.	58	1 p. m.	70
10 a. m.	59	2 p. m.	73

## WAR BILL TO WILSON

\$11,000,000,000 Credit Conference Report Approved by Congress.

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—The \$11,000,000,000 war credit conference report was adopted today by the House and the measure sent to the White House for the President's signature. The Senate acted on the report yesterday.

## M. U. MAN WOUNDED IN FRANCE

Shrapnel Strikes Robert Semple, Member of Engineers' Regiment.

Robert Semple, who was a junior in the School of Medicine of the University last year, now a member of the Medical Corps attached to the Twelfth Regiment of Engineers, is in a hospital behind the front in France as the result of injuries received in the explosion of a German hand grenade.

According to a letter, written by him August 26 and received yesterday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Semple of 2607 Oakview Terrace, Maplewood he expected to be in the hospital five weeks. The explosion occurred when Semple struck the grenade while erecting an improvised table on a battle field, from which the Germans withdrew some time ago. Shrapnel from the bomb struck him in the right knee, hip and hand.

The day before he was injured, Semple and the other members of the regiment had been taken to a point 200 yards behind the first line of trenches. They could plainly hear the German guns and watch the effect of their shells. The Twelfth Engineers left St. Louis July 25.

## INVITE ROAD ENGINEER HERE

J. C. Wonders of Omaha May Attend Old Trails Meeting.

An invitation has been extended to J. C. Wonders of Omaha to attend the meeting of the Missouri Old Trails Association in Columbia October 6. Mr. Wonders is district engineer for Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas.

The Missouri State Highway Board is holding a meeting in Jefferson City today to arrange for the attendance of its members at the Columbia meeting. Alexander W. Graham, state highway engineer, will also be here.

Appointment of delegates to the State Old Trails Association meeting to be held in Columbia October 6 was announced by the mayors of Booneville and Fayette yesterday. The list of delegates from Booneville follows: W. A. Sombart, A. A. Wallace, George A. Weyland, Herman T. Zuzak and W. F. Johnson. The list from Fayette, as received by Harry Jacks, secretary of the Commercial Club, here today follows: W. A. Plains, mayor of Fayette; Senator Sam C. Major, L. W. Jacobs, D. E. Silvey, David Bagby, Sr., and R. W. Payne.

## WED, THEN LEFT FOR FUNSTON

L. C. Valentine, Who Answered War Call, Married Miss Coleman.

Leslie Clay Valentine, one of the sixty-two drafted men who left for Camp Funston from Boone County this morning, and Miss Mattie Coleman were married by the Reverend W. L. Halberstadt last night at the residence of J. L. Henry, recorder of deeds of Boone County. Both of them lived near Columbia.

## Paris Man Asks About Missouri Farms

The farm management department of the College of Agriculture received today an inquiry from Pauling Emrich, Paris, France, regarding the cost of operating an average size Missouri farm. Mr. Emrich asked about the amount of stock such a farm carries, what crops are raised and the average receipts and expenses of the farm. He also asked for the receipts and expenses of such a farm before 1914, prior to the war.

## PLOT TO INFLUENCE CONGRESS REVEALED

Lansing Discloses Von Bernstorff's Intrigue to Prevent War.

## HE ASKED FOR \$50,000

Money to Be Used on Organization Which Could Keep Peace.

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Secretary Lansing today made public an astounding addition to the series of disclosures covering German intrigue in America and elsewhere. A note sent by Count von Bernstorff in January of this year to the Berlin foreign office requested authority to pay out \$50,000 to influence Congress through an unknown organization apparently known to the German authorities.

Count von Bernstorff indicated in his message that money had been paid this organization on former occasions to perform some work. The message is dated January 22, 1917 and reads: "Congress Influenced Before?"

"I request authority to pay up to \$50,000 in order, as on former occasion, to influence Congress, through the organization you know of, which can perhaps prevent war. I am beginning in the meantime to act accordingly."

"In the above circumstances a public official German declaration in favor of Ireland is highly desirable in order to gain the support of Irish interests here."

Whether the State Department is in possession of other evidence indicating the ambassador's activities has not been revealed, but the administrative officers declare that agents of the United States government have collected and compiled the entire story of the German intrigue and that additional chapters will be added.

## Submarine Warfare Invalued.

The reference to avoiding war in the Von Bernstorff note is taken as an indication that Ambassador von Bernstorff had prior knowledge of his government's intention to proclaim merciless, widespread submarine warfare and that he was clearly convinced that the United States government could not be easily placated by mere promises.

That the German ambassador knew of his own government's intention was assumed by some officials, although at the same time he denied prior knowledge and those in close touch with the embassy were given to understand that he did not approve the course and worked to secure a modification.

## Espionage Plan Expected.

It has been estimated that the ambassador did not attempt to buy or obtain the influence of any member of Congress and doubt that such was his purpose is substantiated to some extent by the small amount of money asked. Fifty thousand dollars, it was pointed out, would go but a short way toward buying the influence of any congressman. Judicially expended, however, it might do much in paying agents such as are now known to have belonged to the embassy of Count von Bernstorff. It would have gone far in building up the carefully constructed propaganda plans for purposes of espionage.

Information in the possession of the government, but not yet revealed is said to show conclusively a more direct connection of the German government in America with the Irish question than that indicated in Count von Bernstorff's message. The records at the Department of Justice are said to contain the name of several Germans well known in America in furthering the Irish league propaganda work.

"I would be deeply interested to know if it is charged that any member of Congress knew that any organization seeking to influence its members was financed by Germany," Count von Bernstorff declared on one occasion.

## COLUMBIA HIGH HAS 460 NOW

Boys' Gymnasium Classes and Football Practice Started.

The enrollment at the Columbia High School has increased twenty since last week, making a total of 460 students. The boys' gymnasium classes have been started and the football team is practicing every afternoon. A fast team is expected this year.

The new seats have been installed in the Eugene Field School. There is no seventh grade in this school, but the removal of some of the students from the Jefferson School has made room for a seventh grade at the Jefferson and relieves the crowded condition of the lower grades in that school.

## Nelson Westcott Much Better.

Nelson Westcott, son of A. L. Westcott of Columbia, who has been seriously ill at Christ Hospital, Cincinnati, is much improved. His father, however, is still at the bedside.